

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
NOBUKO YAMAMOTO) : Examiner: Robert Thomas Crow
Application No.: 10/568,507) : Group Art Unit: 1634
Filed: February 16, 2006) : Confirmation No. 1163
For: PROBE CARRIER AND)
METHOD FOR)
QUANTIFYING TARGET)
SUBSTANCE USING THE)
PROBE CARRIER) : April 28, 2008 (Monday)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the March 26, 2008 Office Action, Applicant hereby provisionally elects to prosecute the Group I claims, namely Claims 1 to 14, allegedly drawn to a probe carrier.

The foregoing election is made without traverse.

The application is believed to be in condition for allowance, and a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.